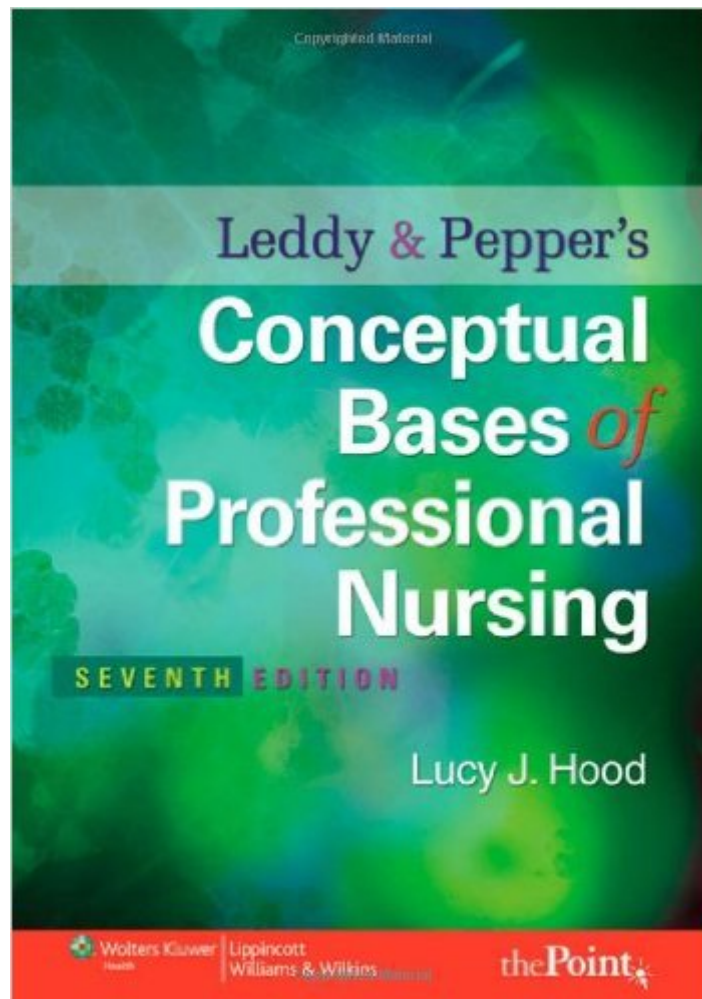


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## Synopsis

Now in its Seventh Edition, this broad-based text addresses the philosophical, developmental, theoretical, accountability, care delivery, and leadership issues encountered by professional nurses throughout a lifetime career. The book outlines the multidimensional roles that encompass professional nursing practice. This edition includes key updated information regarding the influence of nurses in public policy formation, changes in health care delivery, multicultural issues in professional practice, and nursing practice implications of new advances in technology, management, and nursing research. Clinical vignettes based on real-life scenarios illustrate key concepts in each chapter while offering an opportunity to prepare for future professional challenges. From Theory to Practice questions offer a way to link key chapter points to daily practice. To stimulate critical thinking and classroom discussion, Questions for Reflection are interspersed throughout each chapter. Research Briefs appear in chapters when applicable to promote the use of research in clinical practice. Updated Internet exercises provide current online resources to expand knowledge related to each chapter.

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This is a book you will use infrequently. If you have to have this book for class, buy the used version and resell. It is not one you will be wanting to reference in the future. Lacks content and is poorly organized.

This book may be one of the worst books I have had to read in my educational career. It is laden with cliches, like "Nursing is like a diamond." And when not using cliches it is either defining common sense like "lifestyle behavior changes" or regurgitating common theories in life and describing how they pertain to nursing. It really just lacks insight or useful organization of theories. If you really have to buy it for school there is not much you can do, but if you are a professor contemplating this book, know that I think it really devalues the learning experience about nursing theory and development of the profession.

This textbook manages to be complicated, imprecise and too simplified, all at the same time. Amazing. The author seems to think that the audience is either too unsophisticated or too dumb to read a nuanced discussion of the history or theory of the profession. The book emphasizes the need for professional conduct and independent thought, but I didn't really feel like the author is extending either to her readers. It reads more like a recital of academic thought from other fields. It is poorly organized and full of cliches. Pretty disappointed.

Most of the chapters in this book are written in a confusing, unintelligible style. It's almost as if the author challenged herself to present the material in the most difficult manner possible, using words and phrases that are sometimes incomprehensible. I am an educated person but found the material extremely hard to digest. A few chapters (very few) were written in a logical, easy to understand manner.

In my humble opinion one should only keep this book as long as the class and return it as soon as possible for credit. This book I found was drab, boring, and very one sided. I, as a ADN, felt belittled repeatedly as the verbage describes anyone less than a BSN weighed, measured, and found wanting in every aspect of nursing.

The only reason to buy this book is if it is required. The author is very demeaning to anyone without a BSN. Many of the comparisons between ADN/Diploma Nurses and BSN's say the same thing but in different, sometimes conflicting, ways. The language is complex, using too many "buzz" words. For a "scholarly" work, there are too many grammatical errors. This does not inspire learning or confidence in the author.

Only purchased because it was required for class, not very interesting and definitely does not make you want to read more of it. Very dry material not very entertaining. Do not purchase unless required for class.

"The words 'nurse,' 'nourish,' and 'nurture' all come from the Latin root 'nutrire.' The word nurse may be used as either a noun or a verb (Agnes, 2005)."As you might have correctly extrapolated, the content is usually too theoretical to be useable, yet too rigid to inspire meaningful reflection. The tone is sometimes moralistic, and the writing always very bland. Many times I found myself thinking "they must have a page quota to meet."If you need this book for class, rent it.

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